RESOLUTION NO. 2002-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF ENHANCED SCHOOL PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAMS OF THE LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi is, and has been, committed to partnering with the Lodi Unified School District for community-oriented policing and public safety programs, including those geared toward our City's youth; and

WHEREAS, the goal of expanding and enhancing the scope of educational efforts to inform our young children is to make our beautiful community a safer place for them to live and play; and

WHEREAS, programs such as community policing, the home alone workshop, babysitting workshop, and several other quality programs help children to cope with the pressures placed upon them and be provided the tools to make responsible decisions; and

WHEREAS, the possibility also exists for existing community-policing officers to introduce conflict resolution techniques into discussions with students; and

WHEREAS, the Lodi Police Department's School Resource Officer (SRO) Program, in conjunction with Lodi Unified School District, exists to provide effective tools and resources for gang intervention, violence prevention, accident prevention, and the City Council has increased the number of SRO's from three to four officers this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the possibility exists for existing community-policing officers to assist schools with emerging public safety issues, either on campus or in the greater community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby continue to support the ongoing programs and efforts of the Lodi Police Department and its partnership with the Lodi Unified School District for Public Safety Programs.

Dated: February 6, 2002

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2002-24 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held February 6, 2002 by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Howard, Land, Nakanishi, and Mayor

Pennino

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

SUSAN J. BLACKSTON

City Clerk